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SUBJECT:OUTER SPACE COMMITTEE: NUCLEAR POWER SOURCES IN
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1. THE PRESIDENT HAS DECIDED THAT U.S. POLICY REGARDING
THE QUESTION OF NUCLEAR POWER SOURCES IN SPACE SHOULD BE
THAT OUTLINED IN OPTION (B) OF THE INTER-AGENCY MEMORANDUM
ON THIS SUBJECT. IT WAS ALSO DECIDED THAT THE USDEL SHOULD
NOT PRESENT A WORKING PAPER ON A POSSIBLE REGIME FOR REGU-
LATING NUCLEAR POWER SOURCES IN SPACE AT THIS TIME. ALL

OTHER ITEMS ON THE "PLAN OF ACTION" HAVE BEEN APPROVED,
AND USDEL SHOULD BE GUIDED BY THESE.

2. REGARDING "ANONYMOUS" PAPER (REFTEL), USDEL MAY SUPPORT
THE RECOMMENDATIONS THEREIN AND SHOULD WORK FOR CONSENSUS
AGREEMENT THAT STSC "SHOULD" CREATE AN EXPERTS WORKING
GROUP.

3. USDEL SHOULD BE ACTIVE IN ATTEMPTING TO GET SOVIETS
TO ACCEPT NECESSITY FOR WORKING GROUP, IF CANADA AND
OTHERS ARE STRONGLY IN FAVOR OF THIS FORMULATION. IF,
HOWEVER, IT TURNS OUT THAT THE U.S. IS ALONE ON THIS
POINT, USDEL MAY AGREE TO LANGUAGE STATING THAT STSC "MAY"
ESTABLISH A WORKING GROUP. IN THE LATTER EVENT, USDEL
SHOULD SEEK SOVIET OFFICIAL STATEMENT THAT THE USSR WOULD
COOPERATE IN ESTABLISHING SUCH A WORKING GROUP.
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